

# Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District

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Chairman Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC, 20554

In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,  
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

On behalf of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, I would like to support the nomination of Daniel A. Domenech to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors. This position was created by the retirement of Anne Bryant, Executive Director for the National School Boards Association.

Dr. Domenech has served as the executive director of the American Association of School Administrators since 2008 and has more than 40 years of experience in public education, with 27 of those years as a school superintendent. Dr. Domenech has been an excellent advocate for the E-rate program, and is acutely aware of the important role the E-Rate program plays in helping schools and libraries afford telecommunications connectivity. This makes him an ideal choice for the USAC Board.

His position as senior vice president for National Urban Markets with McGraw-Hill Education enabled him to build strong relationships with large school districts nationwide. In addition, he served seven years as superintendent for Fairfax County, Virginia, Public Schools which is the 12<sup>th</sup> largest school system in the nation with 170,000 students.

Dr. Domenech has served on countless boards including the U.S. Department of Education's National Assessment Governing Board, the advisory board for the Department of Defense schools, and the Board of Overseers for the Baldrige Award. Currently, he chairs the Communities in Schools of Virginia; the Learning First Alliance; the Educational Research Service; and the Board of Visitors for the College of Education at the University of West Georgia. He also serves on the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; the National Student Clearinghouse; Americas Promise; the Center for Naval Analyses; and the Sea Research Foundation.

In closing, Dr. Domenech's extensive teaching and leadership experience as well as his strong work ethic and deep commitment to expanding educational opportunities to the nation's students make him a perfect fit for the USAC Board. His direct link to public school systems and his broad understanding of education technology will enhance the mission of the USAC as it moves forward.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your approval of Dr. Domenech's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors, representing schools that are eligible to receive discounts.

Sincerely,

Curtis E. Finch Jr., Ph.D.  
Superintendent